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100,000 MARCHERS PASS U.S. EMBASSY; BANI-SADR ATTENDS

NC251751 Paris AFP in English 1735 GMT 25 Feb 80 NC

[Report by Nick Phythian]

[Excerpt] Tehran, Feb. 25, (AFP)--More than 100,000 Iranians today marched past the U.S. Embassy here in a mass demonstration of support for President Abolhasan Bani-Sadr and protest against past U.S. "interference" in the country's internal affairs. Armed detachments of civilian militia, watched from the roof of the embassy gatehouse by the 46-year-old president, trudged through slush and snow to mark the end of a week of national mobilisation.

The demonstration, following a message from religious leader Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeyni at the weekend, was the first major rally since early January outside the embassy, where 50 Americans have been held hostage since Nov. 4.

The special United Nations commission which arrived here on Saturday declined an invitation from the president to attend, however, preferring to stay at its hotel to start work on its investigation here.

President Bani-Sadr, addressing the crowd before the march, stressed the need for a strong and a disciplined army, the sacrifices it had to make and the respect the people should accord it. He then watched impassively as rank upon rank of marchers, many carrying rifles with carnations in the barrel, filed past chanting "down with America," "Bani-Sadr president," "Bani-Sadr commander-in-chief of the army," and "Long live Imam Khomeyni."

The marchers, all civilians, included detachments of men and women of all ages who receive military training and serve in civilian paramilitary defense groups. One of the themes of the march was Ayatollah Khomeyni's call for an army of 20 million Iranians.

President Bani-Sadr, flanked today by Revolutionary Council spokesman Hasan Habibi and Ayatollah Mehdi Madhavi Khani, who is responsible for the country's revolutionary committees, paid tribute to this call but stressed the need for a regular army.

The march, following Ayatollah Khomeyni's weekend message which put any decision on release of the embassy hostages into the hands of a future National Assembly, also marked a coming together of the president and the Moslem students at the embassy after recent tension between them. As the demonstrators filed past, one of the students addressed them, leading the chanting. The president, though acknowledging them and taking a salute towards the end of the demonstration, did not however take up the student's call.

The U.N. commission, here to hear Iranian grievances and find an early solution to the crisis between Iran and the United States, meanwhile started ploughing through hundreds of pages of dossiers brought from New York and Geneva or collated here in Iran. Early today, I had talks with the president of the Iranian Human Rights League, Abolkarim Ahidji.

The five commission members, a Frenchman, and Algerian, a Venezuelan, a Sri Lankan and a Syrian, have carefully avoided any public comment on the hostages, but the feeling here was that they hoped to meet them. The five, however, stress that even without the hostage crisis the commission would have been formed.

Bani-Sadr Speech

LD251858 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1630 GMT 25 Feb 80 LD

[Speech by Iranian President Bani-Sadr at 25 February ceremony outside the U.S. Embassy in Tehran marking "National Mobilization Week"--read by announcer]

[Text] Men, women and children staged parades throughout the country today to mark national mobilization week as decreed by the imam of the nation. At the invitation of the national mobilization headquarters a special ceremony was held in front of the American den of espionage attended by our country's president and members of the Islamic Revolution Council of Iran. According to the PARS NEWS AGENCY, at 1500 Dr Abolhasan Bani-Sadr, our country's president, appeared on the stand positioned at the front gate of the American den of espionage. The parade ceremony began with recitations of verses from the glorious Koran. Later, a tape recording of the national mobilization hymn was played and was sung by those participating in the parade.

Seyyed Abolhasan Bani-Sadr, our country's president, amidst tumultuous cheering by the multitude of people, gave a speech. He said: We remember the historical experiences which have befallen us. We recall the shah's dungeon which was ousted as you demanded.

Dr Bani-Sadr added: You know what is taking place right now on our borders, such as Afghanistan. In order that we may remain an independent nation, our people should be ready to defend their country, and this matter also prompts us to prepare ourselves to defend the country's existence. Bani-Sadr added: In this way not only the superpowers, but also other countries will take notice of this country. Even those who want to bring other countries under their domination through military imposition and by dispatching military force will take into account an armed nation in the international political arena. Thus, your preparedness, both inside our borders and in defense of our country, as well as from the standpoint of plots hatched inside our borders, in the region or the world has a decisive importance. That is why the mobilization decreed by the imam, to which our people have responded positively with all their being, should herald a trend by the people toward the army, the defense of the country's existence and toward safeguarding the freedom of oppressed nations throughout the world.

Our country's president added: In light of this, the task of the armed forces is heavier than that of others. Since we staged a revolution and passed a constitution, we want this constitution to be implemented more than anyone else.

In another part of his speech Mr Bani-Sadr said: Should--God forbid--the constitution not be implemented by the armed forces and military forces [as heard] and should we observe unbridled actions, the government's duty will be to mobilize the people. Thus, if we want to end the life of monarchical despotism in Iran, it will be essential for the country's affairs to have the necessary order.

Dr Abolhasan Bani-Sadr said: I take this opportunity to sincerely and decisively appeal to Revolution Guards, members of [revolution] committees, the police and the army not to remain indifferent to any arbitrary action. Of course, reciprocally their duty is also heavy. Our country's president added: In these crisis moments of our country's history we shall defend the Islamic Revolution by laying our lives on the line. A great reward will be considered for a small service so that everyone will realize that our nation appreciates their value.

In conclusion, Mr Bani-Sadr reiterated: We are all ready for self-sacrifice for the honor of Islam and the homeland.

SAVAK 'VICTIMS' TESTIFY BEFORE UN COMMISSION

NC261106 Paris AFP in English 1100 GMT 26 Feb 80 NC

[Text] Tehran, Feb. 26 (AFP)--Fifty Iranians claiming to be victims of the ex-shah's dreaded secret police SAVAK and "martyrs of the revolution" testified here today before the visiting United Nations commission of inquiry. Some hobbled into the UN's Tehran office on crutches. Others came on wheelchairs, and a few were supported by their parents.

As they filed past the five jurists on the commission, protesters staged a noisy demonstration outside the building. Thirty people waved posters and photos and shouted slogans like "Death to Americans" and "We want the shah extradited and killed." A woman holding a photograph of her dead child cried: "We don't want money--we want the shah." Some 100 Iranians who came by bus to Tehran to describe how they suffered at the hands of SAVAK complained that they were not being allowed inside to testify.

"We wanted to show the world the crimes of SAVAK," one of them said. They argued that the commission should have held its hearing in the vast National Assembly building, where there would have been room for everyone.

SAVAK victims were said to have been travelling from towns and villages throughout the country to give evidence to the UN team. They were being put up at plush hotels here by Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeyni's welfare committee for the handicapped. Some were staying in the Hilton, where the visiting jurists have rooms. The Ayatollah had urged a big turnout for the commission's hearing, saying it was "essential" that the "cripplied of the revolution" should testify against the United States, which supported the shah.

The five international jurists however appeared to have their own firm views on the way they would run their investigation. The commission's apparent reluctance to participate in what would have been an orchestrated demonstration of Iranian grievances against the ousted shah brought an angry response from a Khomeyni committee spokeswoman. She said that the victims had put a lot of hope in the work of the commission, and she stressed the difficulties of moving the victims, many of whom were severely handicapped, in the present freezing weather.

The commission's spokesman, Samir Sambar, however rejected suggestions that the UN team had refused to hold today's session in the assembly building. He said that arrangements for the way the victims were to be interviewed were made in close cooperation with the official Iranian authorities.

In another development, it was reported here that President Abolhasan Bani-Sadr was to send a special delegation to the northeastern town of Gonbad-e-Kavus to investigate the killings of four Turkoman leaders found shot dead 10 days after their arrest by paramilitary Revolutionary Guards. News of the probe followed hard on the heels of speeches by the 46-year-old president taking the guards to task by reminding them that their job was to neutralise conflict and not to become personally involved.

The Revolutionary Guards' operational commander, Abu Sharif, was meanwhile in Gonbad itself looking into the affair, which grew out of clashes there earlier this month in which more than 20 people were killed.

KHOMEYNI'S OFFICE CALLS FOR GATHERING OF INVALIDS

LD252128 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 2045 GMT 25 Feb 80 LD

["Text" statement issued 25 February by Imam Khomeyni's office--read by announcer]

[Text] In the name of God, the compassionate, the merciful. The crimes of the American Government and those of its puppet, the traitorous Mohammad Reza Pahlavi, are not hidden from the Iranian nation.

In his statement, His Eminence Imam Khomeyni, in order to show America's crimes more clearly and more appropriately, told the commission that has come to Tehran to investigate America's crimes that the provincial invalids of the Islamic revolution should come to Tehran and by joining with the Tehran invalids provide living evidence to condemn this world-devourer: Gathering of our dear and loved invalid brothers and sisters in Tehran will prove the firm determination of these heroes of the revolution to condemn the American Government.

On orders from His Excellency Imam Khomeyni, the Islamic Revolution Council and the Foreign Ministry should without delay and as soon as possible arrange a meeting between the said commission and all the pride-creating individuals of our revolution so as to make clearer the crimes of the deposed shah and the role of the American Government in rolling in blood the blossoms of our revolution.

The Imam Khomeyni's office also thanks the efforts of the relief committee, particularly brother Hojjatollah Haj Sheykh Mehdi Karrubi.

[Signed] The Imam Khomeyni's office, Qom.

MOBILIZATION HEADQUARTERS ISSUES 9-POINT RESOLUTION

LD251854 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1640 GMT 25 Feb 80 LD

[Resolution of the Iranian National Mobilization Headquarters read out at a ceremony on 25 February in front of the U.S. Embassy in Tehran]

[Text] 1. With the military mobilization decreed by Imam Khomeyni we shall develop our combat-readiness and are ready with all our might to deliver a crushing answer to any superpower aggression against our country's national sovereignty, independence and territorial integrity.

2. With a cultural and ideological mobilization and the greatest jihad aimed at bringing about fraternal relationships between and mercy toward one another and at the elimination of the decadent imperial culture and Westoxication [gharb zadegi], we shall strive to establish the system of Islamic rule.

3. With an economic mobilization and with emphasis on less consumption and on efforts to increase output, we shall tear away the chains of economic dependence.

4. With our political mobilization, which is none other than reliance upon the imam's leadership and the people's sovereignty in state affairs and political developments, as well as overseeing all aspects of the country's life, we shall no longer allow any deviation to appear in the Islamic path.

5. We regard the imam's message on the first anniversary of the revolution as a clear manifestation of the domestic and foreign policy of the Islamic Revolution of Iran and call upon all those in charge in the executive organs, with their all-embracing mobilization, to move in the path of the imam and that of the revolution.

6. We declare that the Iranian nation decisively demands the extradition of the criminal Mohammad Reza and the return of the wealth stolen from Iran from the criminal government of America and that it will not retreat one single step in its bid to vindicate its right.

7. We express our support for the struggling Iranian people's vote for the presidency of brother Abolhasan Bani-Sadr and stress that as long as he moves along the path of the imam, he shall not shirk from giving any assistance or making any sacrifices for the achievement of his Islamic objectives.

8. While renewing our support for the Muslim student followers of the imam's policy, we demand that the documents available at the den of espionage, which are national documents, be revealed so that our militant nation can better identify the faces of its enemies.

9. With an all-embracing mobilization we shall elect committed representatives to the Islamic Consultative Assembly who believe in the imam's policy and who will not retreat one step in the struggle against the enemies of Islam, led by world-devouring America.

INA: COUNCIL MEMBERS WARN AGAINST NEOFASCISM

JN251842 Baghdad INA in Arabic 1810 GMT 25 Feb 80 JN

[Text] Tehran, 25 February--Two members of the Islamic Revolution Council have warned against the danger of neofascism in Iran.

Hasan Habibi, council member and spokesman, and 'Ezzatollah Sahabi, council member, issued a statement today commenting on Khomeyni supporters' attacks on other political groups. The statement says: Daily evidence supports the possibility of the appearance of fascism, especially since these activities contradict the aims and principles of Islam.

The council members asserted that Islamic law has been known from the beginning to be tolerant of other opinions and beliefs, whether Muslim or non-Muslim.

AFGHAN MUSLIM LEADER DISCUSSES INSURRECTION IN KABUL

LD221802 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1630 GMT 22 Feb 80 LD

[Text] The PARS NEWS AGENCY in Mashhad has cited the leader of the Islamic movement in Afghanistan as saying that the Muslim people of Kabul have been holding a general strike since yesterday, and during a coordinated assault they took control of Kabul's police stations and disarmed police officials. The same report states that last night the Muslims of Kabul set fire to two Soviet tanks. The leader of the Afghanistan Islamic movement said that the people from the area of Kabul shouted the slogan "God is great," and "There is no God but God" as they started a huge march against the Afghan regime and the Soviet forces.

The leader of the Islamic movement of Afghanistan also said that during the march the demonstrators were fired upon from helicopters. A number were killed in these ceremonies. He went on to say that also in the city of Jalalabad, Afghanistan, there was a fierce battle between Muslim fighters and the Soviet forces, and in the city of Herat martial law has been declared on a 24-hour basis.

In addition, the strike of the shopkeepers and the commercial centers of Kabul entered its second day today. This strike is a gesture of protest against the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan.

Situation in Afghanistan

JN230851 Tehran International Service in Arabic 0800 GMT 23 Feb 80 JN

[From the press review]

[Text] The newspaper JOMHURI-YE ESLAMI publishes a report on the explosive situation in Afghanistan.

Under the headline "Black Friday in Kabul," the paper says that while the citizens in Kabul were holding a large demonstration, shouting "God is great," Soviet helicopters attacked the demonstrators with their machineguns.

The paper adds that the Afghan capital is experiencing a general strike which has paralyzed activities. The demonstrators carried out a surprise attack during which they took control of all of Kabul's police stations and disarmed the police officials.

The paper adds that last Thursday, the Muslim Afghan revolutionaries set fire to three Soviet tanks in Kabul.

The paper quotes reports received in Mashhad from Afghanistan as saying that more than 5,000 Afghan citizens were killed during the attack on Kabul by Soviet helicopters on Friday and that all telephone, Telex and telegraph communications from the capital have been cut. Kabul was completely isolated from the world while Soviet armored forces reinforced control over vital establishments and squares.

Anti-Soviet Revolt in Afghanistan

LD241828 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1630 GMT 24 Feb 80 LD

[Excerpts] News sources in India and Pakistan have reported that there have been some shootings near the presidential palace in Kabul and in the city itself. According to a report from diplomatic sources, following the shootings in the areas surrounding the presidential palace, in which several high-ranking Afghan figures were injured, Soviet tanks were positioned around the palace. Apparently this is the first serious crisis in the Afghan capital. There has been no explanation of the shootings in areas around the presidential palace. Under present conditions, Asian sources near Kabul said: One-half of the Afghan Army stationed in Kabul, has refused to obey the orders of their Soviet commanders to fire at people protesting the invasion of Afghanistan by the Soviet Union. The same reports indicate that more than 4,000 soldiers have deserted with their weapons to assist the Muslim fighters in fighting against the Soviet soldiers.

Afghan sources said today that Babrak Karmal's brother, who was an adviser to the president, died following injuries received during a clash inside the presidential palace. His body, together with that of the second deputy prime minister, was transported to Kabul by a Soviet plane.

The Islamic movement bureau of Afghanistan reported: The people of Herat have gone on general strike in support of Muslims in Kabul. People working in government offices have also participated in this strike. The same report indicates that during the past few days four Soviet tanks have been set a fire by the struggling Muslims of Herat. And the Soviet soldiers fire at the people of this city who shout "God is great" from rooftops each night. As a result of this shooting, several people have been killed thus far.

According to a report given to PARS in Mashhad by the Islamic movement bureau of Afghanistan, the city of Kabul is still on general strike and the people have decided to continue their strike until all Soviet forces leave Afghanistan.

A spokesman for the Afghan Muslims also announced in Islamabad: Government employees in Afghanistan have gone on strike in protest against the Soviet military presence in this country, and the strike will continue indefinitely.

The Government of Afghanistan announced today that it has neutralized a plot by the United States, Pakistan and China to cause a revolt in Kabul. The statement by the Afghan Government was broadcast by Moscow radio following antigovernment demonstrations in Kabul.

Casualties on Revolutionary Council

JN250745 Tehran International Service in Arabic 0700 GMT 25 Feb 80 JN

[Text] The Afghan Islamic movement's office in the city of Mashhad has told PARS NEWS AGENCY that a number of members of the Revolutionary Council in Afghanistan were killed during clashes that took place in the council's headquarters. Among the casualties was 'Ali Soltan Keshtmand, deputy prime minister and planning minister.

The office added that Soviet planes and tanks are still besieging the city of Cahan-e (Fakar), located 100 km off the Iranian-Afghan border. Soviet warplanes are still raiding this region.

Commentary on Brezhnev's Statement

JN232147 Tehran International Service in Arabic 1800 GMT 23 Feb 80 JN

[Ahmad al-Katib commentary]

[Text] Two months after the Soviet invasion, Afghanistan is in the news again, revealing the neglect, injustice and tragedy encompassing this issue. On the one hand, the Soviet Union continues to send in its army daily, until it has reached 70,000, and to wage a war of annihilation against Muslims who have committed no crime other than resisting invasion and defending their freedom and independence; and on the other hand, the world continues its silence and collusion with the Soviet Union, especially the United States which has done nothing more than issue statements condemning the invasion and demanding withdrawal so as to capitalize on the issue of the Afghan people and to achieve personal gains for itself in this balance of power game. Otherwise, the United States is no less merciless and hostile to the Muslim Afghan people.

As for the countries which met in Islamabad--and some of which are tools in the hands of the United States--they have not achieved anything practical. They could not make the Soviet Union budge an inch. Between the American anvil and the Soviet hammer, the struggler Afghan people continue to go through all sorts of suffering from destitution, murder and humiliation.

The Soviet Union tried through suppression and terrorism to subjugate the Afghan people to its policies, principles and pacts, and the United States tried through inducements and bribes to drag the Afghan people into its orbit. But the revolutionary Afghan people refused to submit to both. The Soviet Union and the United States are both evil and imperialist. The Soviet Union is playing in Afghanistan the same dirty game that the United States played in Iran, Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos. The United States is trying to adopt the same opportunist capitalizing stands that Russia adopted toward the Iranian Revolution and other anti-U.S. revolutions in other areas.

The Soviet Union is repeating the same imperialist excuses justifying invasion and occupation and is hiding behind the same feeble reactionary masks used by the imperialist states when they invade an oppressed people. Here is Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev saying yesterday that he sent his forces to Afghanistan in response to the request of the Kabul government. He knows that the Red Army forces entered Afghanistan only on the body of former President Hafizollah Amin, who rejected and fought the direct Russian invasion and occupation of his country although he was the friend of the Soviets. Even if we assumed that the Soviets were correct that the communist forces had only entered Afghanistan at the request of the Kabul government and the new President Babrak Karmal, the Soviet leader has persistently ignored the Afghan people's rejection of the Russian forces' occupation of their country and the establishment of a communist regime in Afghanistan by steel and fire against the Afghan people's will and belief. This is an imperialist method and a reactionary logic which aggressors have always used to justify their occupation of other countries.

It would have been better for the Soviet leader, who belongs to a regime which claims to be defending peoples and upholding slogans of liberation and independence, to side with the Afghan people against the military regimes imposed on them and which claim to be communist. The Soviet leader should not have heeded the desire of the ruling communist officers and crushed an entire people with tanks and occupied their land by force.

As for Leonid Brezhnev's statement yesterday that he is ready to withdraw his forces from Afghanistan as soon all foreign intervention against the Afghan people and government stop, it is in fact a continuation of that same imperialist logic. It is the Soviet Union which has been increasingly interfering in Afghanistan's affairs for some years now and which proceeded toward the direct and complete invasion of Afghanistan 2 months ago, thereby giving other major powers the excuse for intervention. It is the Soviet Union which has forced the Afghan people to resort to the United States.

Therefore, the Soviet Union must withdraw from Afghanistan and give the Afghan people the opportunity to make their own free choice and determine its own destiny. Was the United States not using the same logic when it gave increasing support to puppet regimes and reinforced its presence in Vietnam, Cambodia, Iran, Laos and other revolutionary countries on the pretext of combatting Soviet intervention and communism? Why is the Soviet Union repeating the same imperialist tune? Does it think it can deceive the world?

The Soviet leader's statement is perplexing and astonishing, especially when he referred to Afghanistan as a backward Muslim country to justify his invasion and tutelege of that country. We tell the leader of the Soviet Communist Party: True, Afghanistan is poor and may be backward industrially and technologically, but it is certainly not backward culturally. It knows full well the meaning of freedom, independence and dignity. It also knows how to fight and make sacrifices for the sake of establishing its cherished Islamic regime. The continuous battles and uprisings taking place in Afghanistan today and keeping the communist invasion forces sleepless are proof of that. The (Ghazle) airport operation in which Afghan soldiers killed 50 members of the occupation forces upon landing at the airport yesterday is just one small incident in the resistance against the barbaric communist occupation of Afghanistan.

If the Afghan people are not finding anyone to supply them with adequate arms to confront the powerful Soviet forces, they are now resisting the invasion with all the means in their power. They are also following in the path of the Iranian Islamic Revolution by depending on God and carrying out the strategy of unarmed popular demonstrations and open general strikes as the only possible means to paralyze the communist regime and to force the Soviet occupation forces to leave the country.

Yesterday's reports said that the Afghans have declared general strikes and staged huge demonstrations and sit-ins throughout the country. They face the bullets of the communist soldiers with cries of "God is great, God is great, there is no God but Allah," exactly as the victorious Iranian people did in their revolution against the United States and the defunct puppet shah's regime.

Thus, the Afghan people are following the course of faith and the confrontation of the unarmed masses. They are following the course of victory and independence. They are following the course of resisting the East without falling into the clutches of the West. All indications show that the Afghans will crush the Russian invasion and foil all the deceptive U.S. attempts to place the Afghans under American tutelege. Very soon, God willing, the Afghan people will establish their independent government and Islamic republic.

Resistance Leader on Planned Offensive

OW240048 Paris AFP in English 0030 GMT 24 Feb 80 OW

[Text] Tehran, Feb 23 (AFP)--Afghan resistance movements are planning a major end-of-winter offensive in about one month's time to drive Soviet troops from their country, a visiting Afghan rebel leader said here today. "Our fight will start in about one month when they send their troops to the fighting front," Hezb-e Eslami leader Gulbuddin Hekmatyar told AFP. "If they do not come to us we will come to them and we will follow them," he said.

Mr Hekmatyar, who is in Tehran to explain the Afghan cause to Iranian leaders, described current civil disobedience and clashes in the Afghan capital of Kabul as part of continuing action to harry and harass the invading Soviet forces. "Everywhere in the country we have organizations and they have freedom to see the situation and choose the best way to act," he said.

The Afghan leader, whose forces form a major part of the 150,000 Moslem rebels seeking to overthrow the Soviet-backed Babrak Karmal regime, had talks with President Abolhasan Bani-Sadr here. Both the president and Iranian revolutionary leader Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeyni have urged the Iranian people to give "all necessary aid to our Afghan brothers." But Mr Hekmatyar said that he had solicited no aid and as yet the Iranian Government had offered none.

The Afghan delegation, which arrived here last Saturday, is scheduled to return to Pakistan early next week.

Foreign Ministry on Situation

LD251256 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1030 GMT 25 Feb 80 LD

[Text] Following the recent events in Afghanistan, the Islamic Republic Foreign Ministry announced today that all the Iranians resident in Kabul are safe and that there is no cause for concern. During the incidents in Afghanistan in the past several days, a number of Kabul citizens have either been killed or injured.

Bani-Sadr Call for Soviet Withdrawal

JN252140 Tehran International Service in Arabic 2100 GMT 25 Feb 80 JN

[Text] President of the republic Dr Abolhasan Bani-Sadr has declared that the Soviets have committed a big blunder by their intervention in Afghanistan and that Iran will do its utmost to get them out. In an interview published in Hong Kong today, Dr Bani-Sadr said: If the Soviets do not withdraw voluntarily from Afghanistan, then the Muslims of the world must seek their withdrawal from that country.

Dr Bani-Sadr recalled that in his reply to the congratulatory cable he received from Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev on his election as president of the Islamic Republic of Iran, he said: Iran is ready to establish relations of good neighborliness with the Soviet Union if the Moscow government ceases to interfere in the internal affairs of its neighbor countries.

Dr Bani-Sadr said he believes that the Iranian Islamic Revolution and its effect on Soviet Muslims was the reason for the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan.

The president of the republic added: Soviet Muslims have suffered a great deal from autocratic rule. Therefore, they must be given the opportunity to choose the system they prefer.

Dr Bani-Sadr also said that Muslims must collectively ask the Soviet Union to withdraw from Afghanistan. Otherwise, the Muslims of the world will work for Soviet withdrawal from that country.

Dr Bani-Sadr said: The Islamic Republic of Iran will do all it can to help its Afghan brothers.

Denunciation of Soviet Aggression

LD241522 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1236 GMT 24 Feb 80 LD

[Station commentary]

[Excerpts] Dear friends, before our press review we will present an analysis of black Friday in Kabul:

Black Friday was once again repeated in Kabul, with our fraternal nation of Afghanistan witnessing a ruthless massacre perpetrated by Soviet helicopters in Afghanistan. The occupation of Afghanistan by the USSR continues to be as serious issue, with foreign invaders keeping our Afghan brothers under their subjugation through murder, plundering and massacres.

As we read in yesterday's and last night's press, around 5,000 Afghan strugglers were martyred in Kabul following an air raid by the aggressive Russian Army. Thus there has been a repetition of black Friday. What are we to do faced with such developments taking place in our neighborhood? What should be our views with regard to such blatant aggression? What is certain is that our Islamic Revolution must continue moving forward within its religious context, while never retreating from its Islamic framework, or falling into a compromising trap. If our revolution departs from its sublime standards, it will cause its own death and dig its own grave. The most important basis of our revolution has been its Islamic nature; once this peculiarity is omitted from the revolution, then there will no longer be a revolution.

As far as Islam is concerned, even if aggression takes place in the name of Islam, it must be crushed.

Indeed, there was a time when we were confronting Western exploitation and colonialism; this was at a time when the East, remaining silent, was supporting the West. However, now Afghanistan is involved in the domination and hegemony of the East. It is now Russia which, despite all its socialist pretense, is involved in exploiting and invading the territorial integrity of Afghanistan. It is this first socialist country in the world that now, while blowing its bugles and trumpets, is ruthlessly crushing its southern neighbor with its army, thus justifying aggression and domination in the world. Everyone knows that today Afghanistan is in the claws of Russia, that the USSR is depriving our Muslim Afghan brethren of the most obvious and most fundamental human right, namely the right to decide its own fate. There is hardly anyone who does not know that the phony revolution launched by Taraki was staged by Russia. However, later doubting his subservience, it replaced him with Hafizollah Amin. Then finding him incapable of realizing Soviet goals in Afghanistan, it replaced him with Karmal. Now, when Karmal's turn will come is a question of time.

But the oppressed people of Afghanistan, our fraternal Muslim strugglers to the east of our country, are continuing their resistance against the aggressors and the colonialists. Indeed, what is important is the content, rather than the appearance. Oppression and exploitation are to be condemned; they must be fought against, whether Western or Eastern. Indeed, our imam, the great Khomeyni, has said: Wherever oppression emerges, we shall be there; we shall fight against it. Truly, the imam has clearly defined our Islamic Revolution path. As far as we are concerned, both Western liberalism and Eastern socialism or aggressive and hegemonist governments are the same.

However, in the midst of all this we note that a party whose record and relations with the East's social imperialism leave no room for doubt is now claiming to be a supporter of the imam's path. Meanwhile, it is claiming that the Soviet aggression against Afghanistan is to safeguard the revolution staged by the Afghan people. The Iranian Tudeh Party, which follows in the footsteps of Soviet Policy, which justifies whatever the USSR does, is still defending the Soviet aggression against Afghanistan. Despite its name, the Tudeh Party of Iran not only has no faith in the power and wishes of millions of Afghan Muslims, who are fighting against the Russian aggressors, not only is it indifferent to them, but, on the contrary, it is making propaganda and writing against them. This party has taken its defense of the Russian aggression as far as to make noises against the Voice of the Islamic Republic of Iran, claiming that it is not following the imam's path, as it is not justifying the Russian action. This party is attacking the Voice of the Islamic Republic of Iran in its newspapers for not defending the Russian aggressors' policy. It is giving the impression that the Voice of the Islamic Republic of Iran is not moving along the imam's path.

AMBASSADOR TO USSR HOLDS MONTHLY MEETING OF MUSLIM ENVOYS

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[Text] Dr Mohammad Mokri, the ambassador of the Islamic Republic of Iran in Moscow, has informed the ambassadors of Muslim countries attending the monthly meeting at the Iranian Embassy in the Soviet capital of the unity message addressed by Imam Khomeyni, the leader of the Islamic Revolution. The ambassadors welcomed and supported this message and requested Dr Mokri to convey their sentiments to the leader of the Muslims of the world, His Eminence Imam Khomeyni.

The Syrian ambassador, the doyen of the ambassadors who attended the meeting, said in a conversation with the Iranian ambassador that throughout his struggle Imam Khomeyni has paid great attention to the unity of the Muslims of the world.

He added: I am pleased and proud to say that the real struggle of the Muslims of the world against colonialist and exploitative imperialism began with the emergence of the Iranian Revolution. The struggle led by Imam Khomeyni will end in final victory, as God almighty has promised.

Welcoming the ambassador of Muslim countries, Dr Mokri said: The Islamic Revolution will achieve final victory when, as the imam said, there are no longer oppressed peoples in the world. The leader of the Islamic Revolution has always stressed the unity of Muslims everywhere in the world.

Drop in Gas Exports to USSR

LD231402 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1105 GMT 23 Feb 80 LD

[Text] According to the PARS NEWS AGENCY, the price of gas exports to the USSR has been revised three times over the past few years. The last price before the revolution was R19.96 per 1,000 cubic meters. Annual gas exports to the USSR were around 10 billion cubic meters. However, after the revolution and the drop in oil production and the expansion of domestic networks, this figure was reduced. At present, it is between 4 to 4.5 billion cubic meters annually.

Announcing this in the course of an interview given to a PARS NEWS AGENCY correspondent, 'Ali Akbar Mo'infar, the oil minister, said: The agreement to export natural gas to the USSR and on the first pipeline are part of the agreement signed between the Iranian and Soviet governments on 13 January 1966. On the basis of this agreement, against the export of natural gas to the USSR, the Soviet Government is obligated to cooperate in establishing a steelworks, erecting gas pipelines, setting up a machine-tool plant and certain other activities. Within the framework of this agreement, the initial price of gas exports was agreed at R6 for every 1,000 cubic meters.

Restrictions on USSR Timber Imports

LD231404 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1138 GMT 23 Feb 80 LD

[Text] In order to break import monopolies, the Commerce Ministry has announced new regulations for the import of timber from the USSR.

A Commerce Ministry spokesman said: With manufacturers and timber importers and also the Tehran carpenters' and cabinetmakers' guild and distribution cooperation have been held at the Commerce Ministry with the aim of breaking import monopolies and restricting as far as possible the activities by middlemen and preventing brokerage juggling with regard to timber imported from the USSR, certain decisions were taken.

In accordance with these decisions, the import of sawed timber and railroad ties from the USSR has been restricted to 30,000 pieces of sawed timber and railroad ties per annum for every importer.

More on Gas Supplies

LD232138 Tehran in English to Europe 1930 GMT 23 Feb 80 LD

[Excerpts] PARS NEWS AGENCY reports that the oil minister of the Islamic Republic of Iran, 'Ali Akbar Mo'infar, commenting on the PARS NEWS conference and the export of gas to the Soviet Union said: The national Iranian Gas Company has recently increased unilaterally the price of the export gas to the Soviet Union. However, the reaction in that country has not been made clear as yet. Mo'infar said the reason for such an action is the evasion of the Soviet officials from holding talks on this matter.

Commenting on the gas contract signed between Iran and the Soviet Union in the past years, the oil minister said that the price of Iran's export gas to the Soviet Union has been revised three times.

The first price of Iran's natural gas for the Soviet Union was R6 for each 1,000 cubic meters of gas, while one third of it had been tangible. Mo'infar said that the first price set by these arrangements has been at a very low level. Referring to a future balance on the price of gas, Mo'infar said the National Iranian Gas Company believe that the gas price should be balanced in connection with Iran's crude oil. Mo'infar said that it has been suggested that the price of gas be paid to Iran in exchangeable currencies such as the German mark. The oil minister further said the National Iranian Gas Company has no inclination as to renew the 1966 Irano-Soviet contract. However, Mo'infar added should the Soviet Union and the partners of the contract of the second pipeline are prepared, the first and second pipeline contracts can be merged together and the Soviet Union delivers an equal amount of gas it has received from Iran to the Western Europe and Czechoslovakia. [sentence as heard]

ENVOY TO IRAQ RECEIVED BY PRESIDENT BANI-SADR

LD221232 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1030 GMT 22 Feb 80 LD

[Text] Hojjat ol-Ieslam Hajj Seyyed Mahmud Do'a'i, the ambassador of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran to Baghdad, who has returned to Iran, held a private meeting and talks with Dr Seyyed Abolhasan Bani-Sadr, our country's president, at the prime minister's office.

Denunciation of Iraqi Press Campaign

LD221428 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1030 GMT 22 Feb 80 LD

[Excerpts] In a speech during today's Friday prayers ceremony [at Tehran University] Hojjat ol-Eslam al-Moslemin Seyeed 'Ali Khamene'i, Tehran's Friday prayers leader, said: Wherever a human being or a group is subjected to any oppression whatsoever that human being or group should know that Islam protects and backs him and struggles against oppression and the oppressor. In another part of his speech Hojjat ol-Eslam Khamene'i said: An oppressor and tyrant, wherever he may be and whatever the slogan or pretext he may adopt, should know that Islam and the Islamic revolution will wage battle against him and that there will be no compromise whatsoever in this battle. This was clearly learned by the mighty of the world after many years of experience and studies of Islam and Islamic ideas. Now please pay attention to parts of the speech made by Hojjat ol-Eslam Khamene'i at today's Friday prayers ceremony: [begin recording]

My brothers and sisters, you should know full well the answer to this question: You should know how the world-devourers are waging struggle against you. This would make you and us better equipped and more informed in order to confront these plots. Unfortunately, the most important means of struggle adopted by the enemy against us on a world level and within our borders today is that of propaganda. A psychological warfare directed against the Iranian Revolution is rife throughout the world. The press in the Western world, the subservient press, the press in the Arab world, even the daily yellow press of our venal and coreligionist neighbor--though a neighbor which rules over a nation which shares with us the same blood, race, religion, sect and culture--are devoting their entire efforts against our sanctities, against our territorial integrity and against our revolution.

The mercenary Iraqi leaders, subservient leaders who are using all the capabilities at their disposal, see for yourselves what they write and reflect in the newspapers lest the Iranian Revolution, this flame kindled by God, should spread to the people of that country! From such yellow papers to the vast Zionist and Western intelligence and propaganda networks in Europe and the United States, they have all begun and continue to wage an awesome psychological warfare against us, and this psychological warfare still continues unabated, at full strength.

They attempt to prepare the ground for propaganda within the country's borders, to magnify that propaganda, that basis, those small incidents, and to give prominence to and enlarge the same a thousandfold and to portray the same as a mark of the emasculation, decline and destruction of our revolution to the world public.

Let me take the opportunity here to call on all those simple-hearted, unaware and, perhaps, pious and sincere brothers who, under the influence of the plotters and conspirators, organize either small or large rallies against the responsible and ruling machinery on small or large pretexts, for a holiday, for more or less a few days service, for so much money, or because of this shortcoming or that real and genuine dissatisfaction, who organize rallies, sit-ins, start strikes and then, not being content with this wrongful deed, strive to spread the same to the mass media, drag the same to the radio and to the press; let me warn these brothers, these uninformed people, these heedless pious individuals and let me tell them: Are you aware by this deed of yours for whose will you are grist?

Commentary on Pan-Arab Charter

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[Unattributed commentary]

[Excerpts] Some Arab radios, particularly the Ba'thist information organs and those linked with them, are engaged in talk those days about the Iraqi charter, which was announced by Saddam Husayn on 8 February. An intensive information campaign was undertaken to evaluate the charter's publicized provisions. Arab regimes that are well-known for their loyalty to the United States participated in this evaluation, the aim being to gain control over the Arab public, who are living these days in a state of development and openness.

Revolutionary Iran and Islam, due to feelings of responsibility, decided to clarify many facts for the Arab peoples, who have very close ties with the Iranian people. The first to admit to these ties are the rulers, who have realized the extent of the fateful cohesion existing between the Arab people and the Iranian people, after the attainment of the great victory. Due to this close relationship, Iran places all that it has in the service of the Arab cause, which is part of the overall cause of the disputing world. It is the cause of the oppressed people's struggle against the oppressors. It is part of Iran's responsibility to enlighten the Arab peoples about the new plot, which is being concocted by the imperialists and guarded by Saddam Husayn, who is well-known for his suspect links with colonialist quarters. This plot is embodied in the charter, which we will tackle from a comprehensive concept demonstrated in the following points:

1. The charter was declared in the aftermath of several visits made by suspect Arab figures to Iraq, despite the fact that the Iraqi regime itself was the first to say that it is free of their guilt. Similarly, the declaration of the charter was followed by several visits by Arab figures that have suspect links. This proves to us that the matter was prepared abroad at the hands of Carter and Brzezinski, who came to Iraq to put the final touches to the U.S. domain, which they intend to establish under the ruling regime in Baghdad and with the support of reactionary regimes such as Saudi Arabia, Morocco and Egypt.

The charter consisted of eight articles that abound with brilliant words and false slogans, aimed at misleading the public. The charter does not reflect what Brzezinski and Saddam decided when the former visited Baghdad.

Who are Saddam, Hassan and As-Sadat afraid of? Do they really fear the U.S. armies, or the fact that the charter's publicized articles hide an unpublicized charter, agreed on by the three regimes: Saudi Arabia, Morocco and Iraq, with the knowledge of As-Sadat, ally to the Zionists?

2. What makes us dubious about the charter is the tool used to declare it and the time at which it was declared. It is well-known that after the downfall of the shah, the United States wants to restore the Middle East equations in its interest and to block the way to the Soviet Union, which is lurking in the farthest East. The United States found in the person of Saddam Husayn, who is conceited and ambitious to assume leadership of the region, its desired target. It found out that Saddam Husayn was largely like the deposed shah, so it gave him the same role that the shah used to play in the region.

Saddam Husayn found that the time was quite suitable after the embassy incident to announce his role and his diabolical scheme, which contained overt articles as well as secret ones. The overt ones were published by the Iraqi and hireling papers; the secret articles, which are the real essence of the colonialist alliance, are made clear through the invisible indications and signs that emerged at the time the charter was declared. It is worth reminding the Arab public of what Camille Sham'un said to an Arab paper the day before yesterday. He expressed his support for the Iraqi charter and called on Iraq to confirm its role and enter the arena. That is to say, he called on Saddam to play the role of the shah after the latter's downfall left the arena empty. The other agents who are connected with the United States also stress the need to fill the gap left by the shah's departure. For that post they nominate Saddam Husayn.

3. What arouses doubt and suspicion about the charter is the fact that it is aimed at resisting the growing Islamic moves in the Arab countries. The volcanoes of the Islamic Revolution are erupting in every Arab spot. This fact faces the region's rulers with a fait accompli; namely, to face this revolutionary expansion, which is gushing from Iran, by stressing pan-Arabism as a substitute for Islam.

Can Saddam Husayn deceive the Iraqi people, who knew him as the first executioner and an obedient agent for the British and then for the Americans? Can Saddam Husayn deceive the Arab peoples, who know who he is? It is Saddam who stood against the Palestinian revolution and liquidated the best of its people and youth. It is Saddam who allied himself with the United States to strike against the Islamic Revolution in Iran. It is Saddam, the son of an employee at the British Embassy. Had Saddam been honest in his intentions and shown a desire for neutrality, he would have followed the path of Islam and of the Islamic Revolution, which struck--with the force of its revolutionary masses--at all imperialist interests in Iran and throughout the region. Islam alone is the path to peace and independence from the two powers. It is the path of the masses and finally the path of God, the prophets and the messengers.

Iraqi Violation of Airspace

JN230822 Tehran International Service in Arabic 0800 GMT 23 Feb 80 JN

[Text] PARS NEWS AGENCY reports that an Iraqi plane violated Iran's Western airspace at 1600 on Thursday [21 February]. The border guards opened fire on the plane and forced it to flee. The gendarmerie deputy commander in Kermanshah submitted a protest memo to Iraq regarding this air aggression.

In another development, PARS NEWS AGENCY cites the gendarmerie deputy commander as saying that at 2100 yesterday, armed men launched an attack on the Qal'eh Safid border area from inside Iraqi territory. The border guards returned the fire. The clash continued until 0600 this morning, when the attackers withdrew.

Operations Against Iraqi Officials

JN252020 Tehran International Service in Arabic 1910 GMT 25 Feb 80 JN

[From the press review]

[Text] Under the headline "The Execution of Another 12 Muslim Revolutionaries in Iraq," the newspaper JOMHURI-YE ESLAMI says: The group of mujahidin ulemas in Iraq has issued a statement saying that the Iraqi regime executed a new group of mujahidin last week. The statement says that these mujahidin were inhabitants of Al-'Amarah and that they had been subjected to torture since their incarceration last Muharram. Four died under torture while the other members of the group were executed. These are: 'Abd 'Ali 'Abd ar-Rida, teacher; Mahdi Salih, teacher; Jasim Taqi, teacher; Sultan Qazim al-Bahadili, engineer; Khudayr 'Abd al-Karim, municipality employee; Nafi' 'Abd 'Ali, teacher; Hashim Muhammad Amin, employee in the Ministry of Agriculture; 'Abd ash-Shahid (Faji); Salih Harbi, electrical engineer; Ahmad Mughanim, teacher; and Jawad Qazim al-'Attar, agricultural engineer.

Quoting reports from the central information bureau of the Islamic propagation party in Iraq, the paper says that the mujahidin of the Islamic revolution in Iraq have executed Dr Fadil al-Barraq, director of the Baghdad Public Security Department, who is well-known for his hostility to Islam and who has committed numerous crimes against Iraqi mujahidin. Revolutionary execution sentences were also passed on Fadil az-Zargani, public security officer in Ad-Diwaniyah who is also well-known for his numerous crimes against the mujahidin. He was executed by a fedayeen group of the Iraqi revolutionaries.

Quoting another report, the paper says that another Muslim mujahidin group attacked the Ba'th Party headquarters in Ath-Thawrah city and wiped out the mercenaries that were inside. Four mujahidin were martyred during this attack in clashes with the police.

The report says that the chief of the Public Security Department in (Ar-Rasafah) escaped from an assassination attempt carried out by several mujahidin. However, he was wounded during the operation.

Border Clash With Iraq

JN260932 Tehran International Service in Arabic 0815 GMT 26 Feb 80 JN

[From the press review]

[Text] The newspaper BAMDAD publishes a statement issued by the Revolution Guards general relations department which says: The Islamic Revolution Guards have repulsed an attack launched by the mercenaries of the Iraqi Ba'th Party on the area of Nuryab and Paveh. At the end of the clash, which lasted 5 hours, the mercenary forces were compelled to flee leaving behind their light and heavy weapons.

The paper says that no accurate information is available on the losses sustained by the attackers. Two Revolution Guardsmen were martyred and four others wounded in the incident.

This incident is yet another confirmation of the Iraqi Ba'th Party's hostile stand against the Islamic Revolution and the sons of the border villages.

MO'INFAR REPORTS DIFFERENCE OF OPINION AT OPEC TALKS

ID231836 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1630 GMT 23 Feb 80 ID

[Text] Foreign news agencies report that with the completion of the London conference of ministers and representatives of six oil exporting countries that are members of OPEC the conference announced that it had approved a program for increases in oil prices. In accordance with this program once every 3 months the price of oil will be increased in relationship with fluctuation in the hard currency markets, inflation, and economic growth in the West.

Oil Minister 'Ali Akbar Mo'infar announced in a contact with the PARS NEWS AGENCY that the point of view was announced to the conference (?by) the Iranian representatives in a 30-page technical report. Mo'infar went on to say that the topics discussed in this conference are not yet official, and it took no decisions relative to an increase in the price of oil. Rather, it was concerned with a formula for the increases in oil prices, and we have differences of opinion with their formula. That is because in the formula they are considering, (?they consider only) the economic growth of the industrial countries and the fluctuations in the foreign exchange markets. Our formula, however, considers the relationship of our economy with industrial countries and inflation in the [word indistinct] of machinery.

MONTAZERI RECEIVES PLO, ERITREAN REPRESENTATIVES

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[Excerpt] Today, Palestinian and Eritrean delegations composed of the representative of the PLO, brother Hani al-Hasan, and the representative of the Eritrean liberation movement, were received by His Excellency Ayatollah Montazeri in Qom. After conveying the greetings of brother Abu 'Ammar to him, they talked to him about the problems of Palestine, Eritrea and the liberation movements of the world as well as the problems of the Middle East. In this meeting, His Excellency Ayatollah Montazeri said: Iran's Islamic Revolution under the leadership of Imam Khomeyni was the revolution of all Muslims and of all the oppressed. It will achieve full victory only when all of them have become victorious over the imperialism of the East and West and Zionism. His Excellency Ayatollah Montazeri added: Today, the heart of the Islamic world is beating for the sake of the imam of the nation, and yesterday when I went to visit him in Tehran I noticed that, thanks be to God, his condition is good. We hope that he will return to Qom in the near future.

PLO Representative on 'Arafat's Visit

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[Text] In an interview with a PARS AGENCY correspondent on Yasir 'Arafat's recent visit to Tehran and his talks with our country's president, Dr Seyyed Abolhasan Bani-Sadr, Hani al-Hasan, the PLO representative in Tehran, said: Yasir 'Arafat's recent visit to Tehran served two purposes: one was to meet the imam and congratulate him on the first anniversary of the victory of the Islamic Revolution of Iran, and the other was to meet and have talks with the Iranian president. During this visit, the chairman of the PLO Executive Committee and the Iranian president had an exchange of views lasting 9 hours regarding their political conclusions on a world level and on that of the nonalined countries, and also on the level of Arab-Iranian relations and the future of Iranian-Palestinian relations. Certain decisions were made.

Regarding the future of the nonalined countries movement, Hani al-Hasan said: A fundamental and genuine political idea could give new freshness, dynamism and mobility to the nonalined countries' movement. The PLO believes that Iran should take a step forward and take the leadership in this field since the number of Islamic countries in the nonalined movement is not small, and these countries are considered as a counterweight. Similarly, a number of independent, socialist countries exist in this movement, and consequently, Iran with its own counterweight, as it enjoys the support of the PLO and of a number of other forces, could impart a new impetus to the movement.

Continuing this interview Hani al-Hasan said: During these talks the Middle East issue, particularly that of Palestine, was discussed, and brother Bani-Sadr said that the problem of Palestine was Iran's domestic problem. We ardently welcome this viewpoint, since we believe that Iran has a historic role in the region, and one cannot isolate Iran from the region.

Continuing his remarks Hani al-Hasan said: During Yasir 'Arafat's talks with Mr Bani-Sadr extensive discussions took place on Afghanistan. It is axiomatic that the PLO rejects any occupation by force, regardless in which country this occupation should take place. But at the same time, the PLO, in view of its strong relations with the USSR and in view of its strong, fraternal and strategic relations with Iran, should play a role in solving problems.

The PLO representative added: The problem of Afghanistan should receive attention, and efforts should be made in order to find a final solution for it with the aim of establishing stability and tranquility in the region so that we could all devote our efforts toward confrinting our prime enemy, constituted by Zionism and U.S. imperialism.

MUSLIM STUDENTS ISSUE STATEMENT ON ISRAELI EMBASSY IN CAIRO

JN222145 Tehran International Service in Arabic 2000 GMT 22 Feb 80 JN

[Text] The Muslim student followers of the imam's policy have issued a statement on the opening of the Israeli embassy in Cairo. At the outset of their statement, the students referred to the statement made by the leader of the Islamic Revolution, Imam Khomeyni. He said: If each Muslim poured a bucket of water on Israel, it would be drowned.

In their statement, the students said that Israel the aggressor occupied Jerusalem and set fire within it, with the help of the United States and Zionist designs. The governments kept silent over this operation, merely expressing their regret. Today, after the opening of the Israeli Embassy in Cairo, a new stage of the Camp David plot has been implemented by the criminal, As-Sadat.

Had the Muslim peoples in the area, particularly the Arab peoples, risen, they would have put Israel in its place, so that it would not covet the Muslim land.

These actions are the results of the crimes of the masters and partners of the shah--Carter, As-Sadat and Begin--who are playing havoc with the fate of the Muslim peoples in view of this silence.

These actions are the results of the understanding and agreement between the criminal U.S. Government, the repudiated shah and traitor As-Sadat.

The Muslim student followers of the imam's policy also alluded to the Israeli aggressions against southern Lebanon. They said that it is incumbent upon every free Muslim to shoulder his Muslim, human and national responsibilities against the arch-Satan, the United States, which is responsible for all the ordeals and catastrophes of the Islamic countries, in fact of all the oppressed people.

It is the duty of all the Muslim youth and students to escalate the struggle against the United States, the bloodsucker, and its puppet Israel, the usurper. They should not accept the shame resulting from the raising of the Zionist flag in a Muslim country. The students added that there will be no stability in the area unless all Muslims purge the land of the Israeli presence and establish the Palestinian state in its place.

MO'INFAR CRITICIZES OPEC, SAUDI PRICING POLICY

LD241422 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1030 GMT 24 Feb 80 LD

[Text] According to the PARS NEWS AGENCY the Islamic Republic of Iran succeeded in increasing the price of its crude oil from $22 per barrel to $32.5 within 5 months, and in so doing it managed to mobilize other OPEC countries, even Saudi Arabia. Saudi Arabia, as the guardian of the oil-producing countries, sells its light crude oil at $6.5 less than the (?recommended) price for light crude in Iran in order to maintain some sort of order in what it believes to be an anarchic marketplace. But we believe that the price of our crude oil is still lower than its real and true value and steps should be taken to insure that this product is sold at its real price.

The above issues were put forward by 'Ali Akbar Mo'infar, the minister of oil, in reply to a question put to him by a PARS reporter on whether Saudi Arabia's efforts to restore order in the oil market have faced problems or not. The oil minister said: The efforts of Saudi Arabia and some other OPEC countries, instead of restraining the price of crude oil should be aimed at securing the national interests of the oppressed countries, and especially at bridling unlimited production and stopping the floodlike export of crude oil.

Mo'infar added: The insistence of these countries on accepting one set price can be justified only if the price is reasonable, and as long as the price of this product is not reasonable we will not accept any one set price. He added: The oil income of Saudi Arabia, which is the biggest crude oil exporter of the world, is about $250 million per day. In spite of this, they face major problems in trying to invest this capital and to launch projects to use this huge income. The minister of oil added: Obviously, when the resources of a country are used without any restraint there are problems regarding the absorbtion of the resulting income. The minister of oil finally said: If these countries want to keep the price of their crude oil unnaturally low, we will not accept these prices.

DELEGATION TO ATTEND POLISARIO CELEBRATIONS IN ALGERIA

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[Text] The PARS NEWS AGENCY reports that in response to an invitation from POLSARIO, the Islamic Republic of Iran will send a delegation headed by Mrs (Sudaba Sudaisi), the Foreign Ministry official in charge of liberation celebration affairs, to attend the celebrations which will be held in Algeria on the anniversary of the Saharan Arab Democratic Republic. While there, Mrs (Sudaisi) will meet with the leaders of POLISARIO, which is leading the Western Saharan people's armed struggle for liberation.

DELEGATION TO INVESTIGATE AS-SADR IN LIBYA

JN260822 Tehran International Service in Arabic 0800 GMT 25 Feb 80 JN

[From the press review]

[Text] The newspaper BAMDAD highlights on its front page a report published in a Kuwaiti paper which says that Imam Musa as-Sadr is under arrest in Libya.

BAMBAD says: Sadeq Tabataba'i, supervisor of the prime ministry's departments, has confirmed this report. Upon the order of the president, it has been decided to form a delegation headed by Tabataba'i to leave for Libya to follow up on the issue of the disappearance of the struggling imam.

In a statement to the paper, Tabataba'i, who is Imam as-Sadr's nephew, has said that all the evidence, indications and political conclusions over the past 6 months confirm that Imam Musa as-Sadr did not leave Libya and that the Libyan Government and Mu'ammar al-Qadhdhafi personally are fully aware of this fact, if not being behind the disappearance of the imam.

ENVOY CRITICAL OF FRG MEDIA REPORTING

LD222214 Hamburg DPA in German 1611 GMT 22 Feb 80 LD

[Text] Bonn--The Iranian Embassy in Bonn has severely rebuked the German press for its reporting of events in Iran. The embassy's charge d'affaires, (Navab), has stated in a letter to the German Press Council that German-Iranian relations have suffered as a result of the reporting in the German media. "German journalists, by exploiting their 'press freedom', have managed to create animosity between two peoples, something which politicians everywhere are always striving to prevent."

The Press Council opposed some time ago the threatened expulsion from Iran of German correspondents. The reply from the Iranian Embassy no longer mentions this. Instead, the letter contains an all-round dressing-down of the media and the accusation that many journalists are abusing "journalist ethics."

Charge d'Affaires (Navab) wrote that never in the history of world revolution have the leaders of a revolution been so defamed and slandered by the mass media. "I do not know what right the German press has to so scorn a people's revolution and besmirch its leaders." The reporting in the German newspapers has made the population of the Federal Republic so anti-Iran that the Iranian people are right to wonder whether they have deserved all this agitation. The press campaign had brought a "wave of insulting letters" to the Iranian Embassy. It has also led to newspapers and television companies refusing to publish "our side of the story." The German journalists can harm Iran no more "for the limit of their imagination has been reached." In his reply to the Press Council (Navab) expressed the hope "that as regards future revolutions the German mass media will not report in such a thoughtless manner again."

ATOMIC ENERGY CHIEF SPEAKS ON CONTRACTS WITH FRANCE, FRG

LD251408 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1030 GMT 25 Feb 80 LD

[Text] Following the opinions expressed by the Iranian foreign minister about the cancellation of all contracts for atomic energy cooperation between Iran and France, our energy correspondent has learned that, despite its desire to protect the national interest, some of which are currently held by the French Government, Iran will continue its involvement with the French EURODIF Company.

Engineer Fereydun Sahabi, the supervisor of the Iranian Atomic Energy Commission, spoke in a radio and television conference about this matter. He said that the issue of the blocking of a $1 billion loan that Iran paid to France during the time of the deposed shah for the enrichment of uranium is nothing new but (?it began 7 months ago). The supervisor of the Iranian Atomic Energy Commission went on to say that one of the (?several) Iranian atomic energy contracts (?completed) in the past concerned the purchase of 10 percent of the shares in EURODIF, one of the largest uranium companies in Europe. In this venture, in addition to paying its share of 130 million francs, the Iranian Government in 1975-76 extended a loan of some $2 billion to the French Government and the French Atomic Energy Commission. So far, $1 billion of that sum has been repaid.

Then there was another contract whereby the Iranian Government was to extend a loan of 943 billion francs to the EURODIF Company. Likewise, in addition to the capital investment agreements, in order to insure necessary energy supplies for its nuclear power generation plants, the Iranian Government contracted to accept 18 percent of the enriched uranium from the French project.

Sahabi went on to say that the French and German companies have benefited from the complex situation of the Iranian economy and, ignoring attention to Iranian claims of emergency circumstances, began to suspend the atomic energy power plant activities. Then they cancelled the contracts. According to the decision of the Government of the Iranian Islamic Republic new power plants will be built in Iran. Consequently, 10 percent of the French production will not be needed by Iran.

DISPUTE WITH EURODIF OVER REFUND REPORTED

LD241910 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1630 GMT 24 Feb 80 LD

[Text] Today, during a press conference, Fereydun Sahabi, supervisor of the Iranian Atomic Energy Commission, announced that in the past Iran had agreed to make another $1 billion loan to the French Atomic Energy Commission in order to participate in the French EURODIF Company. However, after Iran announced that because of current political issues in the country and because of the cancellation of the contract for the nuclear powered electrical power plant, there would be no more need for enriched uranium, the EURODIF Company complaied to the court in Paris. As a consequence, repayment of the principle and interest on the $1 billion Iranian loan has been blocked.

The supervisor of the Atomic Energy Commission went on to say that this action is unfriendly and unjust. And yet representatives of other companies, (?such as) in Italy and Spain, have not supported this action by France. In conclusion, Dr Sahabi said that it has been agreed that this company and Iran will continue their discussions in a neutral country.

Rebuttal of Qotbzadeh Statement

LD251306 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1030 GMT 25 Feb 80 LD

[Text] It was announced today that contrary to recent remarks made by the foreign minister in Paris concerning cancellation of all types of contracts dealing with nuclear energy cooperation between Iran and France, Iran wishes to remain a member of the French EURODIF Company in order to safeguard its interests.

BAMDAD REPORTS EVIDENCE AGAINST NAVY COMMANDER

JN260846 Tehran International Service in Arabic 0815 GMT 26 Feb 80 JN

[From the press review]

[Text] Reporting on the arrest of Admiral 'Alavi, deputy commander of the naval forces [title as heard], on orders of the revolution court public prosecutor of the Army of the Islamic Republic of Iran. The newspaper JOMHURI-YE ESLAMI says: According to definite information, 'Alavi was arrested following the discovery of documents incriminating him of contacting U.S. spies. These documents were found in the den of U.S. espionage in Tehran.

The paper adds: Admiral 'Alavi was also in close touch with the agents and mercenaries of the defunct regime. He smuggled a number of these agents out of Iran.

The paper explains that the details on Admiral 'Alavi's links with the den of U.S. espionage will be made public in the near future.

ARMY WARNS 'COUNTERREVOLUTIONARIES' WHO FIRED ON UNITS

LD261112 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1030 GMT 26 Feb 80 LD

[Statement issued 26 February by the Joint Staff of the Iranian Islamic Republican Army--read by announcer]

[Text] In His exalted name. Although the matter of the tactical exercises by army units has been announced through the Voice and Profile of the Iranian Islamic Republic and the country's press, between 0030 and 0200 on 26 February 1980 counterrevolutionaries fired on army units from heights in the vicinity of Marivan. Fortunately, there were not human casualties or damage to equipment. While noting this fact, this is to draw the attention of those who engage in such acts so as to confuse the public and jeopardize the security of the region that should such acts of aggression be repeated units of the Army of the Iranian Islamic Republic will respond with severity and the leaders of such acts will be held responsible.

[Signed] Joint Staff of the Army of the Iranian Islamic Republic.

INA: LOCAL COUNCIL MEMBERS RESIGN 24 FEBRUARY

JN251458 Baghdad INA in Arabic 1405 GMT 25 Feb 80 JN

[Text] Tehran, 24 February--The members of the Sirgan local council tendered their resignations last night. Reporting this today, the evening paper KEYHAN says the resignations are due to the members' inability to execute the council's decisions since they do not have such authority.

The paper adds that members of the council have asked the Interior Ministry to supply them with a clear working program but the ministry asked them to use the council program, which dates back to the previous regime.

The council members said that they could not use the old regulations because of citizens' opposition to them.

Resignation of University President

JN251719 Baghdad INA in Arabic 1655 GMT 25 Feb 80 JN

[Text] Tehran, 25 February--The president of the Mashhad University has tendered his resignation in protest against the interference of unofficial elements in the university's affairs.

In his letter of resignation, the university president said that he could not carry out his duties any longer following the incidents at the university during the past few days and the continued interference of unofficial elements in the university's affairs.

Mashhad University has been dominated by tension since last week when elements supporting Khomeyni attacked opposition groups, injuring a large number of people.

DEFENSE MINISTER DISCUSSES NATURE OF REVOLUTION

LD251842 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1630 GMT 25 Feb 80 LD

[Text] National Defence Minister Dr Mostafa Chamran, in a speech at the "Martyr Emami Stadium" at the country's meteorology organization, said: Human beings struggle for their freedom and revolt to destroy dictatorship and achieve freedom. It is at this point that we must find out what expectations the revolutionaries have of their revolution.

Later, Dr Chamran compared the Islamic Revolution of Iran to other revolutions and said: Our revolution is different from the others in its style and aims. He added: The philosophic and conceptual foundation of our revolution is the belief in God.

DEFENSE MINISTER APPOINTS CIVIL AVIATION CHIEF

LD251307 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 2103 GMT 25 Feb 80 LD

[Text] The national defense minister today appointed Maj Gen Amir Bahman Baqeri as the chief of civil aviation. The text of the letter reads as follows:

Maj Gen Amir Bahman Baqeri: In view of the present exceptional conditions you are appointed as chief of civil aviation in order to solve the existing difficulties in the civil aviation organization after consulting the minister of roads and transport and having obtained permission from the president. Meanwhile, you will continue to hold your present position. I wish you success with this vital responsibility.

[Signed] Dr Mostafa Chamran, national defense minister.

MOBILIZATION HEADQUARTERS OUTLINES AIR RAID DEFENSE PROGRAM

LD251212 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1030 GMT 25 Feb 80 LD

[Text] According to PARS, the blackout program in mobilization week is one of the phases which will contribute toward more preparations by our compatriots to prevent incidents and possible unpleasant events occurring in time of war. The purpose of this program, which will be implemented shortly, is to counter enemy air raids, for which the mobilization headquarters has provided the necessary training.

In a statement issued by the mobilization headquarters clear reference is made to three different phases. First, the "yellow alert," during emergency conditions and the possibility of an imminent threat, which would be signalled by a continuous siren for three minutes; second, the "red alert," signalled by an undulating continuous siren for the same duration in the event of an air raid and, finally, the "white alert," signalled by two continuous sirens alternating at 1-minute intervals, which means the end of an air raid or its possible termination.

BANI-SADR 22 FEB SPEECH REPORTED

LD221840 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1630 GMT 22 Feb 80 LD

[Excerpts] Mr Bani-Sadr said at the 22 February prayer speech that the Feda'i-ye Khalq group announced in a statement its intention to stage a march in Gonbad. Meanwhile, another statement was issued by another group announcing yet another march; both marches had in the meantime been authorized by the local governor. Even several days before the march, the Feda'i-ye Khalq knew that there would be clashes and had therefore prepared themselves for them. According to available (evidence) the group has been planning a final showdown. To do this, they evacuated houses, turning them into trenches. Then, rather than taking up rifles, they equipped themselves with grenades and [word indistinct] weapons took to the streets as if to stage a march and met the opposition first by throwing stones and then by using weapons. The outcome of this confrontation, to use an expression by our Afghan brothers, was that, seeing the opposition meant business, they backed down, left town and disappeared.

In another part of his speech, our president said: I am stating this before you that our Turkoman brothers and sisters are the children of Imam Khomeyni, our leader. The slightest violation of their rights will result in the severest punishment. Mr Bani-Sadr added: I have assigned two people to visit the area and make an in-depth investigation. Should they, God forbid, notice any trace of disorder or violation of people's life or property, they are to arrest the perpetrators, whoever they are, and bring them to Tehran so that the court of revolutionary tribunal may attend to their cases speedily.

Continuing his speech, Mr Bani-Sadr stressed: Any group which takes it upon itself to attack others under the pretext of supporting the Islamic Revolution, I, as elected president, shall consider it as counterrevolutionary, despite the categorical order by the imam to the contrary and the constitution. [sentence as heard] I shall treat it as a counterrevolutionary act. I do hope that those who resort to such acts will take this warning seriously, thus allowing us to do our job.

At the end of the Friday prayers, the participants staged a march towards the U.S. spy nest.

BANI-SADR URGES NATION TO KEEP CALM

LD222002 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1830 GMT 22 Feb 80 LD

[Text] Dear listeners: In connection with the fighting yesterday and today in some of the cities in the north of the country, Dr Abolhasan Bani-Sadr, president of the republic of our country, addressed a radio message a few moments ago to the Iranian nation--particularly to the brave people of Mazandaran, which you will now hear: [begin recording]

In the name of God, the compassionate, the merciful. To all the brothers and sisters of the great cities of Jowzan and (Qa'emshar) and to all the cities of Iran:

In these sensitive moments of Iran's history the sound of fighting, clashes and anarchy in the cities are to the detriment of the revolution. People who have voted for the constitution should themselves be the guarantors of the constitution, and within the framework of the constitution all groups have been given opportunity and freedom of expression and assembly. Certainly assembly must be within the limits of law. When administrative officials forbid assembly, everyone should respect this as being in the general interest and as being temporary. If some people destroy the sanctity of the law, the people should remain cool until the law can be explained and made acceptable to those who have not accepted it.

Today, as is clear to all our people who are watching the situation in our country with strong determination and coolness, they should prevent the occurrence of some event that might enable the airing of these events inside the country and abroad to lead to a shaking of the stability of the Iranian revolutionary regime.

Once again, I seriously and emphatically ask all the people and the security forces--especially the guards, the police, the committees, and the gendarmerie--that they not only be impartial observers when law and order are threatened, but that they themselves not join in the fight in support of or in opposition to a group. They should know that the duty of the security forces is to neutralize the results of anger. They themselves should not become angry and then add problems to the original problem. I hope they will consider our problem seriously, and that they will realize that this state will not hesitate to encourage punishment and carry it out if necessary. I hope that the Almighty will give sufficient determination and coolness to our people so that in these disturbed moments of the nation's history we will be able to deliver safely the revolution and the country from danger. [end recording]

KORDESTAN ARMY INFORMS PEOPLE OF MILITARY EXERCISES

LD240805 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 0730 GMT 24 Feb 80 LD

[Statement issued by the 28th Army Division of Kordestan--read by announcer]

[Text] In the name of God. Pursuant to a statement issued by the Joint Staff of the Islamic Iranian Army, the 28th Army Division of Kordestan informs the esteemed Kurdish people, particularly the inhabitants of Sanandaj, that the division's units, in the course of their annual training, will carry out a series of exercises and military training. Consequently, within the framework of these exercises, which will take place during the month of Esfand [20 February-20 March], the public is thus informed, so that it may not be influenced by the counterrevolutionaries who seize every opportunity to incite public opinion.

Support for Peaceful Solution

NC242000 Paris AFP in English 1954 GMT 24 Feb 80 NC

[Text] Tehran, Feb. 24 (AFP)--The Iranian Kurdish Democratic Party will support a peaceful solution to the problem of Iran's troubled northwestern provices if President Abolhasan Bani-Sadr controls "bad intentioned elements" in the army and the paramilitary revolutionary guards, party secretary Abdol Rahman Qassemlu said in a telegram to the press here.

"We decided to support a peaceful solution to the Kordestan problem with full force and not let warmongering elements within and without the country cause destruction and provocation," the telegram said, referring to a recent congress in the party stronghold of Mahabad.

"We ask the president in [word indistinct] not to give the opportunity to bad intentioned elements who have infiltrated the ranks of the army and pasdaran (Revolutionary Guards) Corps and other organs...," it added.

INA Report on Clash

JN251102 Baghdad INA in Arabic 1050 GMT 25 Feb 80 JN

[Text] Tehran, 25 February--One citizen was killed and two government guards wounded in an armed clash between the guards and the occupants of a car in the Kurdish (Sarbal Dhahab) area. The clash ensued when the car occupants were harassed by the guardsmen. The fate of the other occupants of the car is still unknown.

OIL MINISTRY REPORTS DAMAGE TO KHUZESTAN FACILITIES

LD231854 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1630 GMT 23 Feb 80 LD

[Text] The Oil Ministry has issued a statement announcing that the recent disastrous flood in Khuzestan has damaged some of the installations and crude oil pipelines and as a result there are interruptions in production at the Abadan and Shiraz refineries. That is to say, because of the break in the gas pipeline and lack of necessary fuel, the crude oil pumphouses at Shiraz refinery did not have enough fuel and had to be shut down. But fortunately, 2 days ago the gas flow was restored and the Shiraz refinery started operations again.

Also, as a result of water pressure in the pumphouse, which pumps crude oil to the Abadan refinery, and the waterlogging of the booster pumps carrying crude oil to the Abadan refinery, there have been interruptions in pumping crude oil from Ahvaz to Abadan, as a result of which the fuel flow to the Abadan refinery was considerably reduced. But with the round-the-clock efforts of oil industry employees, these faults were put right 2 days ago and crude oil is being transported to the Abadan refinery. Coinciding with this incident, it was noticed that parts of a 24-inch crude oil pipeline which is underground have holes, having corroded at points, with the passage of time, along a 25-km stretch, which unfortunately happen to be near swamps, and carrying out repair operations at these points will involve problems. But now the faithful employees of the oil industry are doing their best to repair these pipelines and God willing, this problem will be solved in 3 days.

In the statement issued by the Oil Ministry, it is said that thanks to all these problems the Abadan refinery has not operated at full capacity during this period and Shiraz refinery was shut down for a few days, but at present it is operating and the Abadan refinery, which is the most important supplier of the country's oil products, is now working at about 65 percent of full capacity.

It is expected that during the coming few days this refinery will be able to work at full capacity. In spite of all these problems, the National Iranian Oil Company [NIOC] has been able to meet the needs of the dear compatriots, according to their needs, about 16 percent more than during 1978. But now the NIOC is obliged to ask the dear compatriots to help and cooperate by reducing their fuel consumption and economizing. Fortunately, this economy measure is needed when winter is nearly over and the brave nation of Iran is executing the mobilization week plan. Therefore, this presents an ideal opportunity to embark on considerable economy measures in our fuel consumption so that production from refineries can be devoted to build up stores and increase storage levels in our oil reserves. On this occasion, on 24 and 25 February, there will be no oil products sold in the country, except in the flood-stricken Province of Khuzestan and earthquake areas in Khorasan. Obviously, the emergency needs of hospitals and health centers, schools, factories, electrical generators, factories producing foodstuffs and pharmaceutical products and public transport vehicles will be met.

Revolution Guards Accusation of U.S.

GF240615 Ahvaz Domestic Service in Persian at 1330GMT 23 Feb 80 GF

[Announcement issued by Abadan Revolution Guard Corps on the recent explosion in Khorramshahr in which 7 persons were killed and 39 injured; date not given--read by announcer]

[Text] In the name of God, the merciful, the compassionate. The sorrowful event involving the recent bomb explosion which took place in the Red Lion and Sun office of Khorramshahr in which 7 persons were killed and 30 [as heard] were injured touched the people of Iran, and particularly the people of Khuzestan, just as the flooding did. This event took place at the same time international imperialism and its elements are continuing their conspiracies. The conspiratorial United States should realize that these events will not in any way influence or intimidate our struggling people.

We express our deepest condolences on this misfortune to the imam--the nation's imam--and to the esteemed and struggling people of Iran. At the same time we pray to God almighty to grant solace to the families of the deceased. On this occasion we proclaim today a day of general mourning. On the third day of mourning, services will be held in Imam Mousa ibn J'far Mosque at 1600.

3 Days of Mourning

GF240616 Ahvaz Domestic Service in Persian at 1330 GMT 23 Feb 80 GF

[Announcement by the Khorramshahr governor; date not given--read by announcer]

[Text] We are from the God and to God we return. Once again the counterrevolutionaries reveal their dirty, criminal faces with the explosion of a bomb in a relief center in the Red Lion and Sun offices in Khorramshahr killing five [as heard] beloved persons of ours. While the united nation of Iran arose to help the flood victims of Khuzestan, the counterrevolutionaries made the relief headequarters and the relief workers their targets, in this way proving their antipeople and antimankind actions. On this occasion the Khorramshahr governor's office announces general mourning for 3 days.

INA Report on Explosion

JN231155 Baghdad INA in Arabic 1130 GMT 23 Feb 80 JN

[Text] Tehran, 23 February--The number of victims of the bomb explosion in Al-Muhammarah [Khorramshahr] last Thursday stands at 7 persons killed and 39 injured.

This was reported by the Iranian newspaper JOMHURI-YE ESLAMI today. The newspaper added that 13 tnt explosive charges were discovered and defused yesterday. The bomb went off during a meeting held in front of the Iranian Red Lion and Sun building in Al-Muhammarah.

Handgrenade Attacks in Khorramshahr

JN251456 Baghdad INA in Arabic 1400 GMT 23 Feb 80 JN

[Text] Tehran, 25 February--Several houses have been attacked with handgrenades in Al-Muhammarah [Khorramshahr]. Reporting this today, the evening paper KEYHAN says that a group of people attacked several houses, causing damage to the houses and destroying some cars. The motive behind these operations and the identities of the attacks and those attacked have not yet been made known.

Meeting of Retired Officers

GF251247 Ahvaz Domestic Service in Persian 1330 GMT 24 Feb 80 GF

[Text] The club for retired armed forces personnel of the Islamic Republic of Iran asks all retired officers and noncommissioned officers of the armed forces of the Islamic Republic in the city of Ahvaz to report to Saheb al-Zaman Mosque, located in the Revolution, previously Kamplo, district at 1600 on Wednesday, 27 February.

Arrest of 'Capitalist'

GF241435 Ahvaz Domestic Service in Persian 1330 GMT 25 Feb 80 GF

[Text] In the name of God, the compassionate, the merciful. Tell those who hoard gold and silver and never spend it for good causes that they will be tortured in their afterlives.

In this regard we announce to the honest and oppressed people of Ahvaz that, in view of repeated complaints by the people, Soleymanifar, the capitalist, has been arrested according to the order of the prosecutor. All those who have complaints against him are requested to deliver their written complaints to the Islamic Revolution Guard office of Ahvaz located at (Chihar Shir) Square.

CITIZENS WARNED AGAINST ISSUING BIRTH CERTIFICATES

GF251702 Ahvaz Domestic Service in Persian 1330 GMT 25 Feb 80 GF

[Announcement issued 25 February by the governor's office in the city of Mahshah--read by announcer]

[Text] According to reports, a number of profiteers and opportunists have been attempting to collect citizens' birth certificates in villages along the Jarrahi River. All honest citizens of this region are hereby requested, while taking into consideration the fact that the time of the Islamic parliamentary elections is imminent as well as the problems resulting from the recent flood in the area, to refrain from issuing birth certificates to these individuals so that all evil counterrevolutionary plots and schemes may be offset and neutralized.

FOUR COUNTERREVOLUTIONARIES SENTENCED TO DEATH

LD231856 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1630 GMT 23 Feb 80 LD

[Text] The Islamic Revolution Court of Ahvaz issued an announcement declaring that the files of four counterrevolutionaries and puppets of imperialism by the names of Nazmeh Farahani, Hashem Hamedi, 'Abdolhamid Ja'fari, and 'Ali Khazbahi, all of whom have been arrested, have been reviewed.

They have been charged with participation in blowing up the Khuzestan oil pipelines, illegal entry across the Iranian-Iraqi border, undergoing guerrilla training in Iraq, illegal importation of weapons and ammunition into the country, and participation in the plan to blow up the Daghagheleh electric power pylon.

In light of the contents of the files, the aforementioned were judged as guilty of "waging war against God and his messenger" and "sowing corruption upon earth" and they were sentenced to execution. The order was carried out this morning.

TABRIZ VICTIMS OF REVOLUTION TO TRAVEL TO TEHRAN

GF250554 Tabriz Domestic Service in Azerbaijani 1430 GMT 25 Feb 80 GF

[Text] The Imam Khomeyni relief committee in Tabriz informs all those who were wounded or deformed during the revolution, especially those still suffering from wounds or showing bullet scars, to report to the relief committee located at governor's house so that proper arrangements can be made for their travel to Tehran.

Briefing on Air Raid Drill

GF260800 Tabriz Domestic Service in Azerbaijani 1430 GMT 25 Feb 80 GF

[Text] On the occasion of the national mobilization week and in order to promote the combat readiness of our dear citizens against any air attack, a special program has been arranged for 1920 tomorrow by the Islamic society of Tabriz airbase. This program will consist of the following: The first yellow air raid siren to last for 3 minutes will require all citizens to take all precautionary measures such as extinguishing all lights and drawing all curtains and making sure that all members of households gather in one room and wait for the second air raid siren. The second siren, which will be a red one and will last for 3 minutes, will require all citizens take shelter in a safe place such as the basement. All vehicles must move to the right side of streets and park with headlights extinguished to wait for the third siren. The third white siren, which will also last for 3 minutes followed by 1 minute of silence, will require everyone to leave his air shelter in order to tend and care for wounded brothers and sisters.

We expect all our fellow citizens, by taking part in this air raid drill, to demonstrate to internal and external enemies that we are all in a state of total preparedness for the defense of our homeland.

[Signed] The Islamic society of Tabriz airbase.

MISSION SENT TO KHORRAMABAD TO END CLASHES

LD241220 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1030 GMT 24 Feb 80 LD

[Text] Following reports received recently from Khorramabad by the office of Ayatollah Montazeri with regard to clashes between a number of esteemed local inhabitants and pursuant to requests made by local people and some ulema, Hojjat ol-Eslam Fazel Harandi and Hojjat ol-Eslam Soltani have been sent to the area to end local disputes.

Guards Corps Calls for Calm

LD241222 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1030 GMT 24 Feb 80 LD

[Text] In a statement issued today, the Revolution Guards Corps in Khorramabad condemn the practices of individuals who under various guises, including under the name of corpsmen, attack people and houses, disrupting public order.

The statement calls on the people of Khorramabad to remain alert, maintain their revolutionary calm and thus demonstrate their revolutionary maturity.

Closure of Khorramabad Schools

LD241224 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1030 GMT 24 Feb 80 LD

[Text] According to the PARS NEWS AGENCY, following the unrest during the past few days in Khorramabad schools, the authorized representative of the Ministry of Education and training in Lorestan issued a statement declaring all secondary schools in Khorramabad closed on 23 and 24 February, that is yesterday and today. He called on all pupils and the teaching staff to attend classes on 25 February, thus foiling attempts by the counterrevolutionaries and aliens to take advantage of the situation.

Needless to say, should any teacher fail to attend class on this day he will become the subject of an inquiry. The statement also says: Last Thrusday some irresponsible individuals entered a secondary school and, ignoring warnings by teachers and the headmaster, were involved in clashes with teachers. Following complaints made by the teachers, who had prepared a process-verbal in this connection, we condemned these acts and asked the revolution court to attend to this case as soon as possible.

INA REPORTS MURDER OF FOUR TURKOMANS, BOMBING OF HOUSE

JN231934 Baghdad INA in Arabic 1920 GMT 23 Feb 80 JN

[Text] Tehran, 23 February--Four Turkomans were assassinated and their bodies found 125 km from the city of Bojnurd in northern Iran. The former public prosecutor of Bandar 'Abbas was among them.

Citing a brother of one of the dead, the evening newspaper ETTELA'AT said that Khomeyni's guards had earlier arrested these four but their fate had remained unknown until their bodies were discovered.

In another development, two persons were killed and six others wounded when a bomb was hurled at them inside a house in the province of Baluchestanva Sistan. The paper made no reference to the identity of the dead or wounded, but said they were relaxing inside a house confiscated by the government.

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